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In response to the final Office Action mailed May 23, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the claim set in the appendix entitled Clean Version of Pending Claims for the previously pending claim set. The substitute claim set is intended to reflect amendment of previously pending claims 1-5, 6, 14, and 17. The specific amendments to individual claims are detailed in the following marked up set of claims.

1. (Twice Amended) A method of automatically inserting hyperlinks into a document, comprising:

searching one or more documents for content [matching] <u>having</u> one or more predefined forms;

<u>automatically</u> marking one or more portions of one or more of the <u>searched</u> documents based on results of searching the one or more documents <u>for content having one or</u> <u>more of the predefined forms</u>; and

generating one or more hyperlinks, with each hyperlink having a format based on the content of one or more of the marked portions of the documents.